

EMPEROR ENTERTAINS AMERICAN VISITORS.

United States Generals Sit at Elaborate Banquet With German Sovereign.

SPEAKS OF VISIT OVER HERE.

Expresses Admiration for President Roosevelt and Is Thankful He Escaped Death in Pittsfield Accident.

Frankfort-on-Oder, Sept. 8.—Eighty thousand soldiers are camping in the open air to-night and 12,000 more are quartered in farmhouses. The troops are waiting for the four days' sham battle, on an immense scale, that will begin at dawn to-morrow.

Emperor William will arise at 3 o'clock to-morrow morning and leave Potsdam at 4 o'clock, in order to be early on the field. A great blue and white pavilion fringed with gold hangings, has been pitched on the southern shore of the Havel, and here Emperor William will bivouac Wednesday night. He will lead the cavalry division into action on Thursday.

After dinner the Emperor mingled freely with his guests and engaged the American Generals in a half hour's conversation. He again expressed his very high appreciation of the manner in which his brother, Admiral Henry, of Prussia, had been treated in the United States, spoke of his admiration for President Roosevelt and said he fervently thanked God for having spared the life of the President at the time of the Pittsfield accident. Electric cars, continued his Majesty, are the enemies of humanity.

He referred to the number of persons who have been killed or wounded by electric cars in the streets of Berlin.

EMPEROR MAY VISIT AMERICA. To-night, as on former occasions, Emperor William discussed the possibility of his visiting America some day. This was evidently a subject of great interest to him, but he added, regretfully: "I fear I can never realize that dream."

Commander Beeher was invited to the dinner to-night, although he does not attend the maneuvers, because Emperor William wanted to bid him farewell before his return to the United States next month. The Emperor has presented a large photograph of himself bearing the royal autograph to Commander Beeher. He expressed his regret at the recall of the American naval attaché and asked him what new thing he had heard about the German Navy. To this Commander Beeher replied: "The fog signals for vessels which indicate the direction in which the ships are moving—they ought to be introduced into all navies."

OLD WELL IS DISCOVERED IN WASHINGTON AVENUE.

Street Gang Investigating a Depression Makes This Discovery.

While investigating a depression in the street on Washington avenue, between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets, James J. McGuire, foreman of a city street gang, discovered a well, yesterday morning.

The well is 77 feet deep and contains 65 feet of water. The Fire Department was summoned and work of pumping out the water began. It is estimated that 100 wagon loads of earth will be required to fill the hole.

About the same time the well was discovered an old tunnel, running beneath Washington avenue, a few feet west of the well, was located.

The records of the Street Commissioner's office fail to show any reference to Twentieth and Washington streets of the time the well and tunnel must have been built. When the street was made it is presumed the well was covered with concrete and then paved over. The street car tracks are over the center of the well.

TOUCH OF WINTER WEATHER.

Thermometer Registered 58 Degrees at Midnight.

Doctor Hyatt predicts rain and cooler weather for to-day. He expects to see the temperature lower than it has been for several days. The mercury probably will reach 60 degrees and is not likely to go higher than 80 degrees to-day.

Yesterday the mercury ranged between 54 degrees at 7 a. m. and 86 degrees at 3 p. m., and then slid downward. At midnight it stood at 58.

313 Want Help To-Day.

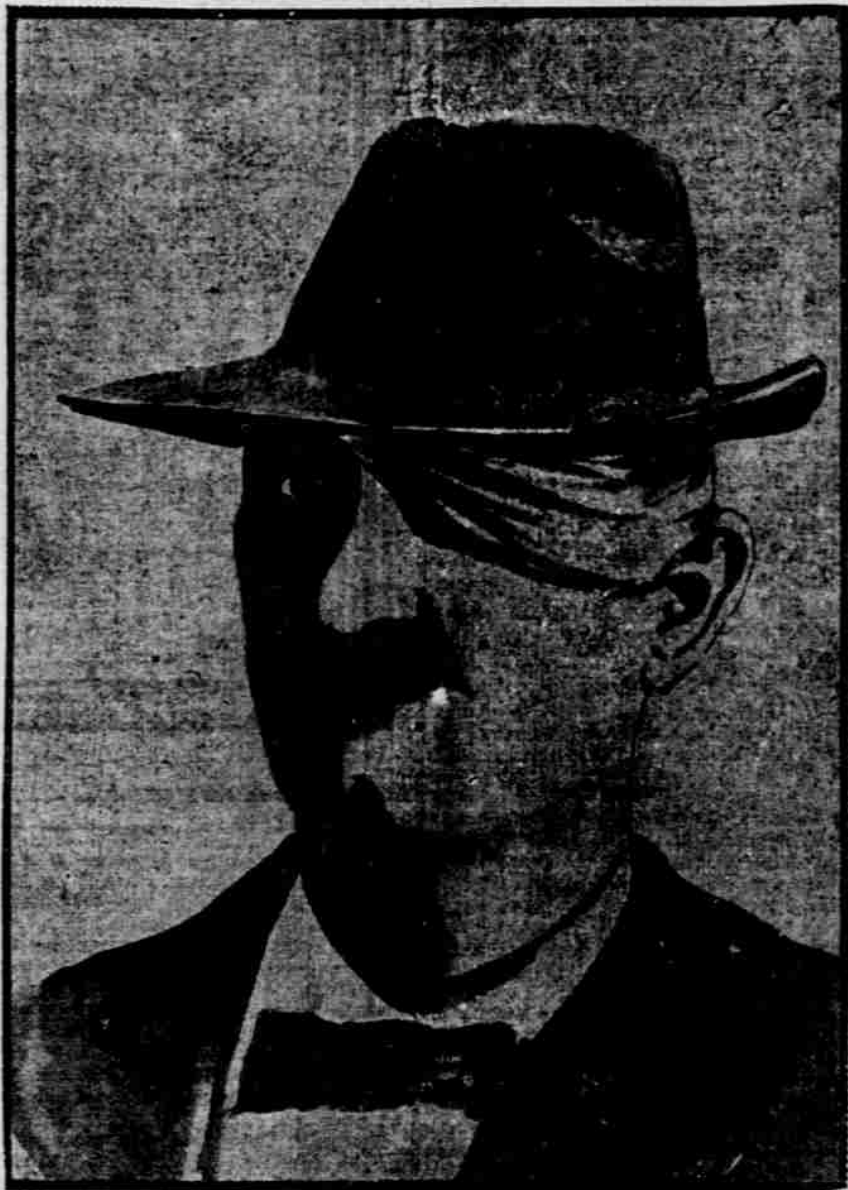
The Republic of to-day contains the following ads for "Help":

Housework.... 57 Trades..... 69
Boys..... 35 Seamstresses... 15
Cooks..... 18 Miscellaneous... 121

People out of work, as well as those desiring to better their positions, should read these columns every day.

EIGHTEEN NEW INDICTMENTS CHARGE MUNICIPAL BOODLING; FUGITIVE J. K. MURRELL RETURNS TO FOUR COURTS DISGUISED.

THIS IS THE DISGUISE WORN BY MURRELL WHEN HE SURRENDERED.



When Murrell went to the Four Courts to surrender to Mr. Folk he was disguised with a bandage about his head, a slouch hat and cropped mustache. Aside from this change in his appearance there was a loss of flesh that in itself would have been sufficient to keep his identity secret from those of his former acquaintances who might have seen him. It is asserted that Kratz has fallen away all of fifty pounds, if not more.

WAS THE COMBINE BOUND TO SECRECY BY AN OATH WITH DEATH AS PENALTY?

According to the information of Circuit Attorney Folk each member of the House of Delegates combine was bound by a solemn oath not to divulge the secrets of the body or betray any of its members on penalty of death.

This was considered a protection to those in the combine and was thought to be strong enough to protect its actions from publicity.

Murrell had taken the oath, it is understood, and in making his confession the sacred agreement was broken. Knowing the seriousness of his offense, Murrell is thought to have been in desperate straits when he resolved to betray his partners in crime.

The Circuit Attorney says that the existence of this oath has thwarted the efforts of the State to get much valuable information that would have been forthcoming otherwise. The members of the combine were so strong in organization and were bound by such rigid ties that absolute security was assured them so long as did not some one of their number break their trust.

This Murrell was first to do.

POLICE SERGEANT C. H. REA INJURED BY A STREET CAR.

Was on the Way Home From His Duties at Union Station When the Accident Occurred.

Sergeant Charles H. Rea, in charge of the squad at Union Station, was knocked from the steps of a Page avenue car by the tongue of a moving van yesterday afternoon.



SERGEANT CHARLES H. REA. Who was injured by a street car accident.

noon and sustained injuries which will probably result in his death.

His skull was fractured and he was cut and bruised on the head and body. He had not gained consciousness at a late hour last night.

The accident occurred on Washington avenue near the intersection of Twenty-third street. Sergeant Rea was on his way to his home at No. 1915 Sullivan avenue at the time.

He boarded westbound car No. 46 at Eighteenth street. The car being crowded, he stood on the steps of the rear platform. A moving van was standing in front of No. 234 Washington avenue. The tongue of the wagon extended to within a short distance of the car.

Sergeant Rea did not notice how close the wagon tongue was to the car and when it passed he was caught and thrown to the ground. He had struck the pavement with violence and he was rendered unconscious. A deep gash was inflicted on the forehead.

Sergeant Rea is an old member of the Police Department. He was appointed August 3, 1882. On August 7, 1902, he was assigned to have charge of the Union Station squad.



JOHN K. MURRELL. As he appeared when he departed from St. Louis for Mexico.

LEADING TOPICS TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 6:24 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 6:30. THE MOON SETS THIS EVENING AT 10:54.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.
For St. Louis and vicinity—Showers and cooler.
Missouri—Fair in west and north, showers in southeast Tuesday; cooler in east and south.
Illinois—Showers Tuesday, cooler in south; Wednesday fair.
Arkansas—Showers and cooler Tuesday; Wednesday fair.

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1. Emperor Entertaining American Visitors.
 2. Hanna's Hand Felt in Texas Politics.
 3. Railroad News.
 4. Fitzbrilliant Out to Beat Two Licks.
 5. The Republic Form Chart.
 6. Opening Football Practice at High.
 7. Browns Win and Cardinals Lose.
 8. President Elected Honorary Member.
 9. River News and Personals.
 10. Editorial.
 11. Happenings in Society.
 12. Catholic Knights to Meet.
 13. St. Paul's Church to Be Dedicated Sunday.
 14. East Side News.
 15. Clever Maneuver Prevents Serious Accident.
 16. Women Take Up Removal of Garbage.
 17. Republic "Want" Advertisements.
 18. Birth, Marriage and Death Records.
 19. New Corporations.
 20. Rooms for Rent and Real Estate Advertisements.
 21. New York Stock Market is Strong.
 22. Summary of St. Louis Markets.
 23. Bearish Factors Combine in Chicago.
 24. Local Stocks Higher Despite Dull Trading.
 25. Preparing Exhibits for World's Fair.
 26. State Department Will Not Interfere.
 27. Were Married at Midnight.
 28. Old Well Discovered in Washington Avenue.
 29. Union Mission Pastors Named.

Volunteer Statement of Former Member of the House of Delegates Is Laid Before the Grand Jury and Bench Warrants Are Immediately Issued—Fugitive Comes Back From Flight to Mexico to Testify for the State Against His Former Colleagues, Whom He Charges With Deserting Him.



INDICTED MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES COMBINE WAITING TO GIVE BOND BEFORE JUDGE DOUGLAS.

MURRELL'S RETURN AND RESULTS FOLLOWING.

John K. Murrell, ex-Speaker of the House of Delegates, under indictment for bribery in connection with the Suburban Railway franchise bill, who has been a fugitive from justice since March 18, in Mexico, surrendered Friday to the Circuit Attorney. He made a full confession to the Grand Jury yesterday, implicating eighteen fellow-members of the House in the boudling deal.

On Murrell's testimony bench warrants were issued against the eighteen members of the combine of 1900-1901, charging perjury and bribery in each instance. Nine of the accused are under arrest, including E. B. Murrell, a brother of the informer, and George Robertson, both of whom are also said to have made confessions.

J. K. Murrell has not been promised immunity from prosecution by the Circuit Attorney, but he will be used as a witness against his fellow-members of the former combine, and in that way will escape prosecution.

Ed Butler, himself under indictment for bribery, furnished bond for Ed Albright. He offered to furnish bond for four of the other prisoners, but Judge Douglas objected to taking him on such heavy collective bonds.

Charles Gutke, one of the prisoners, has a child dying at home, but was unable to furnish bond. Later he was allowed to go home under escort of a Deputy Sheriff.

Bonds for all the prisoners were fixed at \$15,000 on each of the two charges, making \$30,000 that each had to furnish. Six of the prisoners were unable to furnish bond, but these were not locked up, being allowed to go home accompanied by a Deputy Sheriff.

J. K. Murrell is held incommunicado by the Circuit Attorney. He will be used again as a witness before the Grand Jury and then held in \$20,000 bond.

Murrell's surrender was brought about by the pleadings of his wife and realization that his friends had not kept their promise to provide him with funds and see to the welfare of his family here.

THOSE ARRESTED.
• Edward E. Murrell, John Helms.
• John H. Schnettler, Harry A. Faulkner.
• Otto S. Schumacher, J. J. Hannagan.
• Geo. F. Robertson, J. J. Hannagan.

OUT ON BOND.
• Harry A. Faulkner, T. E. Albright.
• NOT YET ARRESTED.
• Emil Hartman, Julius Lehmann.
• William Tamblin, Adolph Madera.

• Chas. J. Denny, Louis Decker.
• John A. Sheridan, Charles F. Kelly.
• Edmund Bersch.

The action of the Grand Jury was as unexpected as it was astonishing, and when the news was disseminated on the streets early yesterday forenoon there were few who could be found to believe it. There were fewer still who could be found to believe that J. K. Murrell had returned to the city, and the statement that he had not only returned voluntarily, but had made a full confession to the Grand Jury, was scoffed at and ridiculed in the downtown portions of the city.

It was only when the extra editions of papers containing an account of Murrell's surrender and the proceedings of the Grand Jury, were circulated on the streets that the truth of the startling reports began to be believed. Then there was a stir among friends of the men against whom indictments had been issued, and the telephone connecting with the offices of the officials at the Four Courts were kept busy, and there

DINED WITH CHIEF OF POLICE AT EL PASO, TEX., WITHOUT REVEALING HIS IDENTITY.

On March 15, three days before my case was to come up the last time, Delegates Lehmann and Helms came to me and told me that I had better leave, and promised me they would supply me with all the money that was necessary and send me money from time to time. They made many other promises, none of which were kept.

I shaved off my mustache and left St. Louis on the evening of March 15 from Tower Grove Station. Detective Tom McGrath was at the station, but he evidently did not recognize me. I went direct to Juarez, Mexico, under the name of Brown. I remained there until May 15, going frequently across the border to El Paso.

I became well acquainted with the Chief of Police at El Paso and took dinner with him frequently. He and I got to be good friends, although he did not know who I was.

A few days after I got to Juarez Julius Lehmann came down to see me. I left Juarez and went to Chihuahua, as Lehmann telegraphed me I had better go further into the interior. In May, when it was found that a treaty was about to be made with Mexico until May 15, going frequently across the border to El Paso.

I became well acquainted with the Chief of Police at El Paso and took dinner with him frequently. He and I got to be good friends, although he did not know who I was.

I proposed to give the State all the aid in my power and hope that my conduct will be such that in future years I may regain the confidence of my fellow-citizens.

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